



## THE TMC GAZETTE

**NEW**

I want to use the opportunity to touch upon an important issue with regards to time management, and that is lateness. I've realized that we have a minority of students who are regularly late, in some instances up to 30 minutes late for classes. This is really not very clever. Why?

Even coming 10 minutes late for classes means that you have missed a key part of the lecture, not only that but you disrupt the class, which is not only disrespectful to the lecturer but to the rest of your classmates. Coming 15, 20 or even 30 minutes late frankly shows that you are really not serious about the class.

I know that many such students believe that they can play catch up later, but in reality this does not work, and it is reflected in the assignments and exam marks.

So far I've instructed the lecturers to make sure that they mark

anyone who is more than 15 minutes late absent, and to keep track of the students who are always late for class. Such students will be receiving warning letters.

I would urge everyone to really think this out and realize that at the end of the day the only person who is really going to feel the effect of this is you.

On a happier note, we would like to extend our congratulations to the Hawthorn Singapore students who raised \$300 for the 'Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals' through their "mother tongue for charity" program. A special mention has to go to Jude Smith for developing the idea and getting the active participation of all of the Hawthorn students.

Finally keep an eye out for the all new TMC website which will be launched in the next few days.

Dr Michael Cope  
Academic Director

### Special points of interest:

*Message from the Academic Director*

*Lateness*

*Hawthorn donate \$300 to SPCA*

*'O' Level Orientation*

*Korean Student Fair*

*TMC S\$5,000 Merit Scholarship*

*Philippines High School Principals*

*Yangon Education Exhibition*

*New TMC Website*

## 'O' LEVEL ORIENTATION



## Korean Student Fair

TMC participated in the Korea Student Fair held in Seoul – COEX this October. Once again, we brought over an outstanding student of TMC to provide personal and useful insights to potential students who wish to study in TMC Singapore. Mr Lee Joong Hoon, current student of Monash College Singapore, Diploma in Business Part 2, strongly believes in his choice of study and was very active in sharing this conviction he has with his fellow countrymen. Parents, agents and students alike were deeply impressed with his presentations. We thank him for his assistance and wish him all the very best in his studies.



## Yangon Education Exhibition

The Singapore Education Admissions Fair in Yangon, Myanmar is held on the 6 - 7 September at Traders Hotel. Mr Robert Tok, the Singapore Ambassador in Yangon was there to grace the opening ceremony of the Singapore Education Fair. Philip, TMC's Student Ambassador came over to



help the TMC staff. Over 2000 attendees participated in the 2 days event. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year that STB had organized the Singapore Education Fair in Yangon and this year, we see the largest number of Singapore Schools participating in the Fair. Currently there is an estimate of 1000 students from Myanmar coming to Singapore for further studies every year.

## TMC S\$5000 Merit Scholarship

Congratulations to Mr Zaw Zaw Htet who was selected from 50 students who registered in the scholarship test during the September 2008 Singapore Tourist Board Education Fair in Yangon. Zaw Zaw Htet has selected to pursue Diploma/Higher Diploma in Information Technology.



"I have been lucky enough to get the scholarship. I did not expect that I would be selected for the Scholarship. I would like to express my thanks to TMC for awarding the scholar-

ship to international students as an encouragement & aid for international students to achieve their academic goals. In addition, joining TMC is the right pathway to

## Philippines High School Principals

On the 15th of October, Singapore Education (a division under the Singapore Tourism Board) brought a group of High School principals from Philippines to visit TMC. The group was hosted by Dr Lemmy Teo, TMC's Sales & Marketing Director and Ms Amber Tan, the Country Manager (International Office) for Philippines. Our Academic Director Dr Michael Cope also extended a warm welcome by delivering a short speech at the meeting. The session was made more interactive and participative when we invited two current Filipino TMC students to share their experience. It was especially interesting when Ms Marie from Higher Diploma in Hospitality & Tourism Management related how she searched extensively for information on schools in Singapore and finally decided on TMC. Ms Anallyn from Higher Diploma in Information Technology also had the visitors amazed on how she juggles time between studying and taking care of her 2 kids. We thank both students for taking time to meet the principals.

